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Title: TECHNIQUE FOR SYNCHRONIZING MULTIPLE ACCESS CONTROLLERS AT

THE HEAD END OF AN ACCESS

NETWORK

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Dear Sir:

In response to the objections made due to informalities in the original drawings, enclosed are substitute (formal) drawings for the above-identified patent application. If the Draftsman has any question concerning these drawings, he or she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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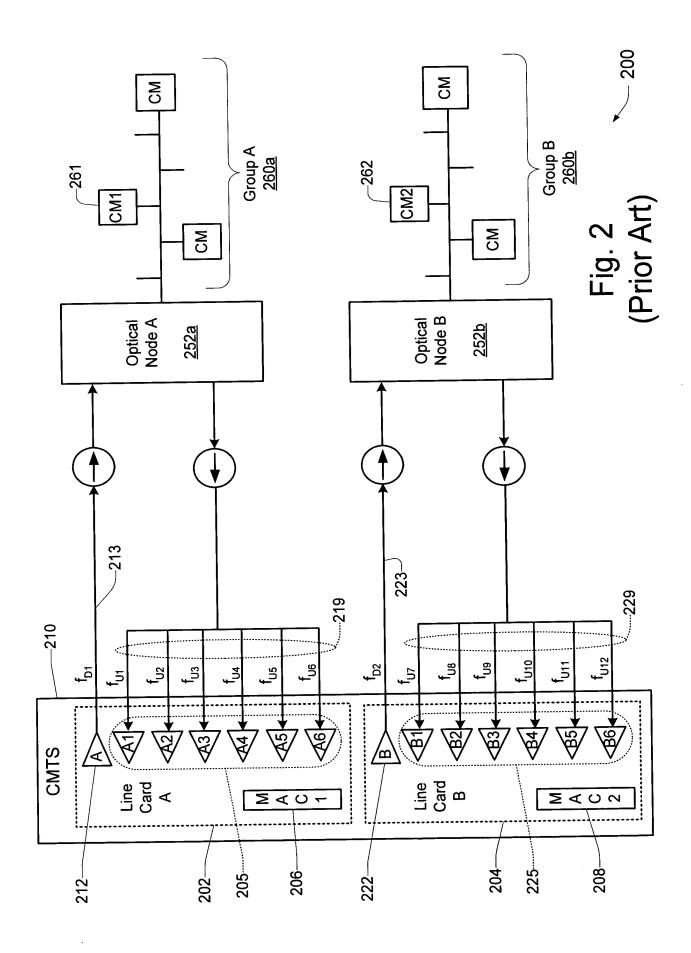
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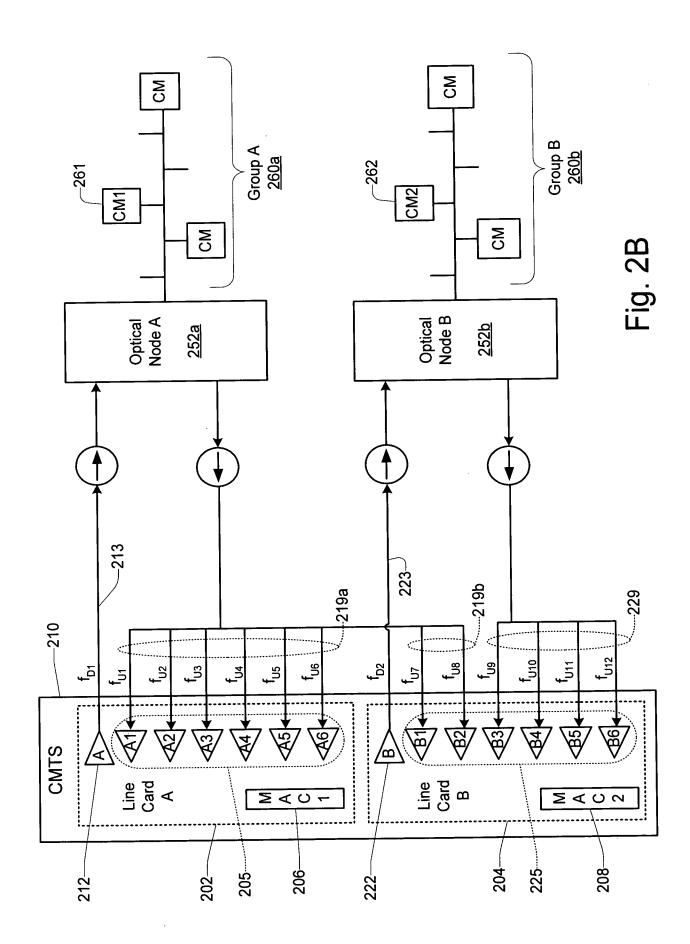
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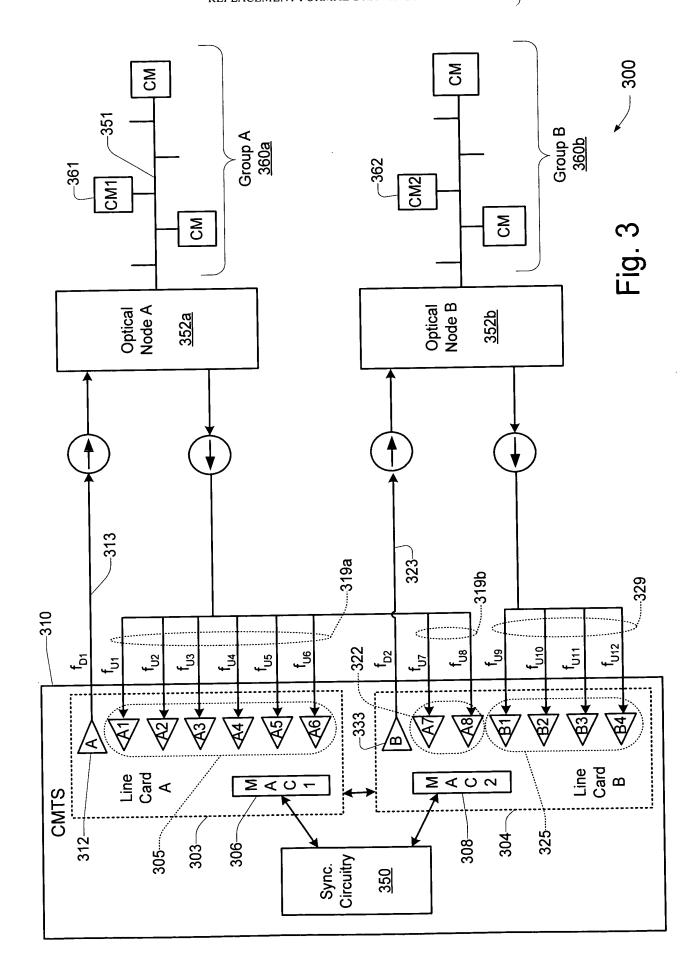
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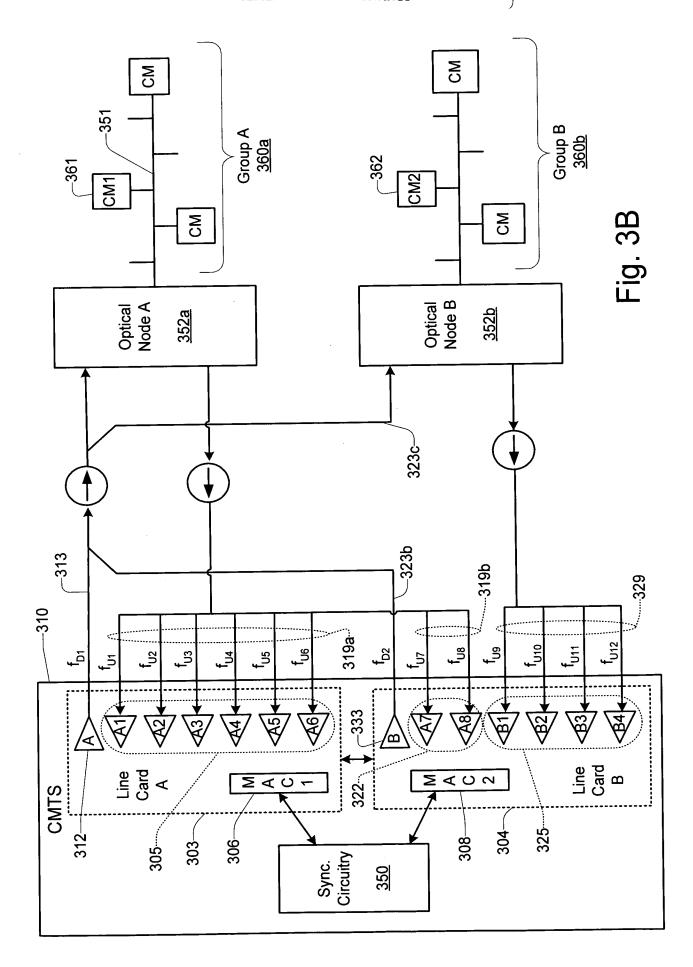
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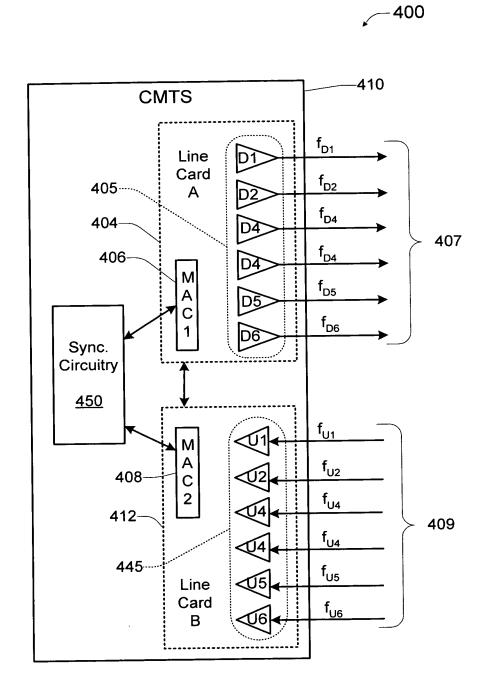
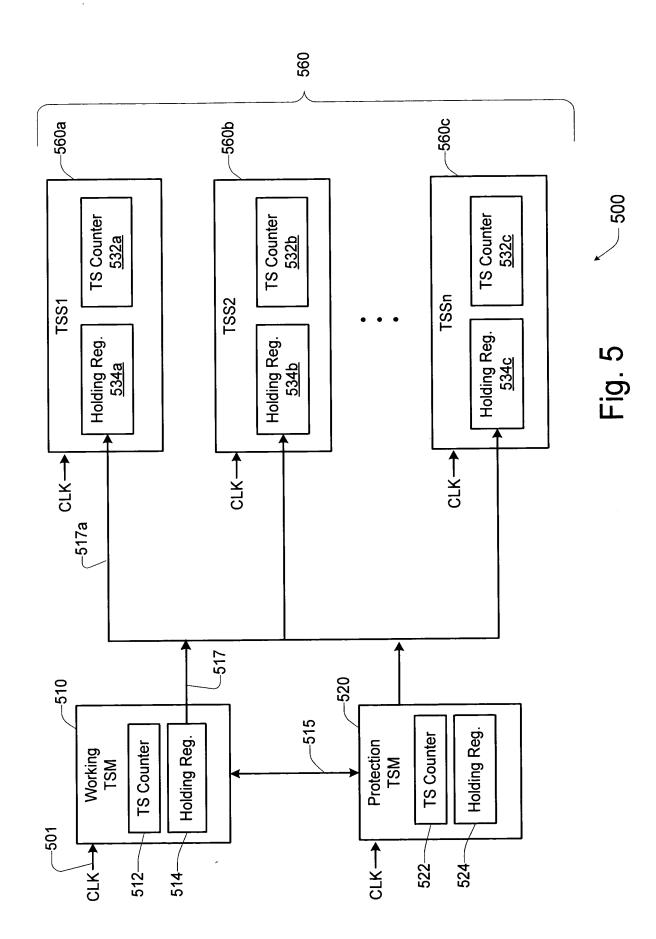


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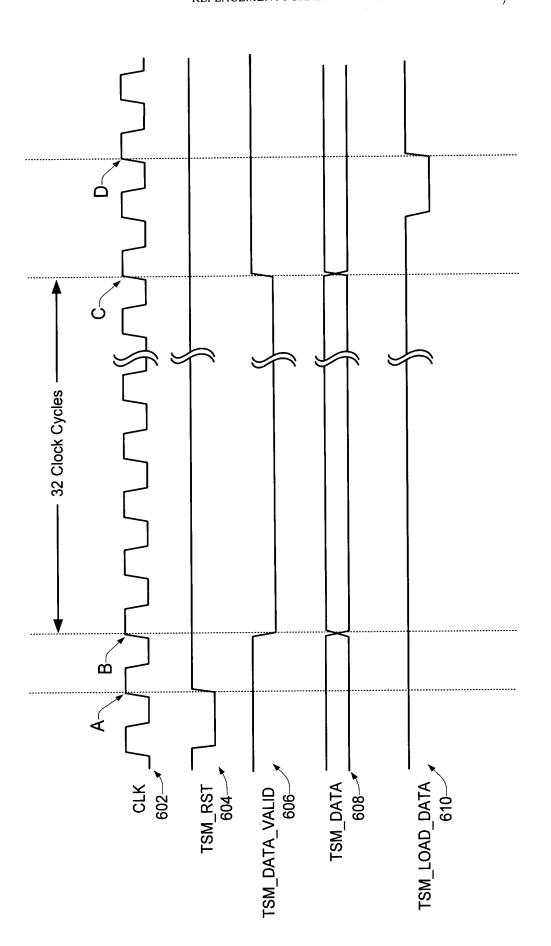


Fig. 6

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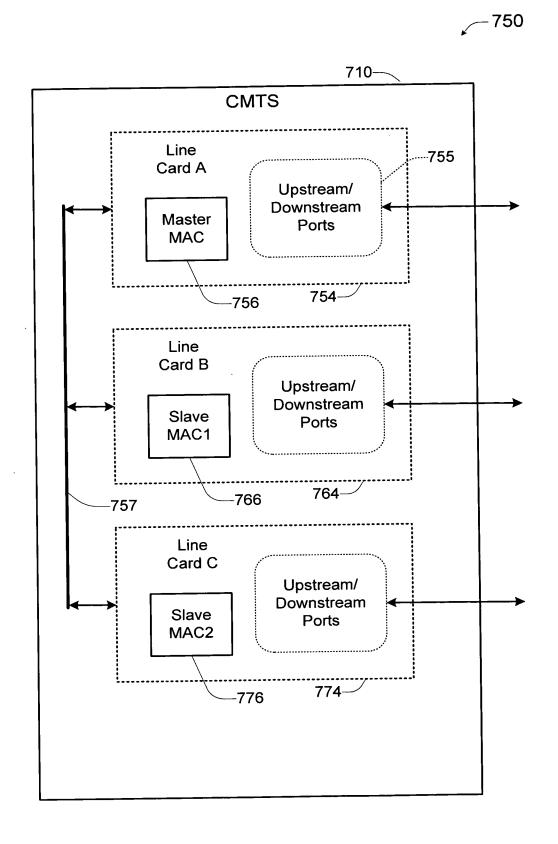
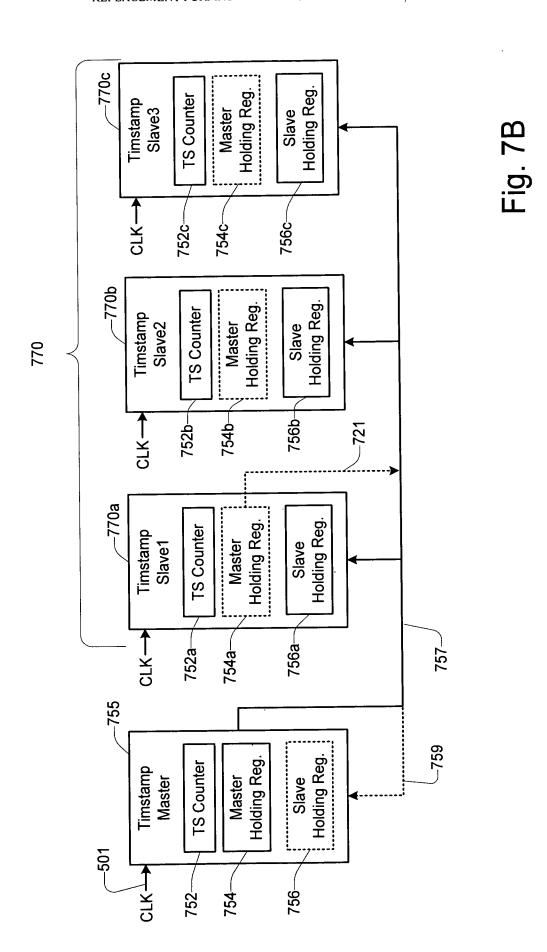


Fig. 7A



App. No: 09/490,761 Filed: 01/24/2000 Atty Dkt: CISCP131 Sheet 11 of 12 REPLACEMENT FORMAL DRAWINGS 802-Interface Network Data 850-882-Switching SW Processor(s) 884 **DOCSIS MAC SW** MEDIA ACCESS CONTROL DOCSIS MAC HW MAC Layer **855** 830 DOCSIS PHY HW 806 Memory and Receiver Demodulator Downstream Transmitter Physical Layer Modulator Upstream DOCSIS PHY **DRIVER SW** 886and 832 **-857 -804** 820 Combiner 812-Figure 8 808-Fiber Node

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